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sum was approved by the Cabinet, and referred to the Ministry of Finance, on Saturday last.

Parley Resumes

As it is
Berlin, Mar. 13.—"The French American debt-funding negotiations were resumed, when the French Ambassador M. Berenger and the State Secretary Mellen met at Washington.

troops of General Tang.
On the 12th instant General Chao left Changsha for Hankow via Yochow, where he arrived on the 13th. General Tang had not then reached Changsha and it was not known definitely when he would reach the provincial capital. Changsha was quite peaceful and no disturbances were expected.

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中國國民黨北京特別市黨部緊急通告

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方振武任二五聯軍總指揮

孔庚任二軍北路總指揮 鄭思成任二軍北路副指揮
本報特訊：自田維勤王文蔚陳文釗等勾結吳佩孚靳雲鵬以後，由豫東進攻，開封鄭州相繼失守，國民二軍爲保存實力起見，鄭思成、史可軒、孔庚、高桂滋、鄧寶珊諸部，均退守河北，計槍支尚有二萬餘支。又與國民第五軍方振武所部一萬人，共同聯合，組織二五聯軍，共約五萬餘人，聲勢浩大，實力充足。現已推方振武爲二五聯軍總指揮，孔庚爲二軍北路總指揮，鄭思成爲二軍北路副指揮。二五聯軍駐紮地點北至高邑，南至彰德，西至武安，東至南宮。正從事補充，準備分路進攻魯豫云。

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賈德耀發行公債一千萬，以充軍用。據悉：賈氏現擬發行公債，定名為「賈德耀發行公債」，總額爲一千萬元。此項公債，將分爲若干期，每期發行若干萬元。發行後，將充作軍用，以資周轉。此舉對於穩定金融，支援抗戰，具有重大意義。

豫東奉軍潰退無算

豫東奉軍潰退無算，殘部向東逃竄。據報：奉軍在豫東一帶，經我軍多次痛擊後，已呈潰退之勢。殘部正向東逃竄，我軍正緊追不捨。此役我軍獲勝，極大地鼓舞了士氣，也顯示了我軍戰鬥力的增強。

全國國民會議促成會聯合

全國國民會議促成會聯合，旨在促進抗戰建國。此項聯合會，將由全國各國民團體代表組成，旨在促進抗戰建國，加強國民團結。聯合會將定期召開會議，討論有關抗戰建國之重要問題，並向政府提出建議。

趙恆惕過漢東下

趙恆惕過漢東下，譚延闓部動員回湘。據悉：趙恆惕已離開漢口，向東下。譚延闓部已動員回湘，以應付可能發生之變局。此舉顯示了趙恆惕在當前局勢下的動向，也反映了譚延闓部的軍事部署。

使團反向我提出嚴重警告

使團反向我提出嚴重警告，要求我方停止挑釁行為。據報：某國使團向我方提出嚴重警告，指責我方在邊境地區挑釁在先，要求我方立即停止挑釁行為，否則將採取進一步行動。我方已對此作出回應，強調我方始終堅持和平解決爭端之原則。

晉閩出兵態度仍曖昧

晉閩出兵態度仍曖昧，各方正密切關注其動向。據報：晉閩兩省在出兵問題上，目前仍持曖昧態度，各方正密切關注其動向。此舉反映了晉閩兩省在當前局勢下的複雜立場，也顯示了各方對此問題之高度關注。

帝國主義者與其走狗

帝國主義者與其走狗，在國際舞臺上表演着拙劣的戲碼。此類文章通常指責外國勢力在華之種種行徑，揭露其陰謀詭計。文章強調，帝國主義者及其走狗，正利用各種手段，企圖破壞我國之團結與穩定，其行徑已爲全國國民所不容。

張作霖將回老家

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Hostile Act in Line With Japan's Policy Of Assisting Chang Tso-lin, Says Delegation In Protest To Japanese Minister

Unfriendly To Nationalist Movement And Efforts To Re-establish Peace And Unification In China; Another Evidence Of Need To Abolish Unequal Treaties

The Canton Diplomatic Delegation has communicated the following protest to the Japanese Minister in Peking and called the text of it to the Japanese Diet:

The Canton Diplomatic Delegation has to protest to the Japanese Imperial Government against the action of the Japanese gunboats and destroyers which, on Friday, the 12th inst., fired on the Kuominchun forces guarding the Taku forts and inflicted a number of casualties in killed and wounded among the said forces.

Not only is this action to be condemned as a hostile act which, were China militarily strong, would lead to a state of war. It is also to be denounced as the inevitable expression of what is widely and firmly believed in Chinese Nationalist circles to be the Japanese policy of assisting Chang Tso-lin to reimpose his military ascendancy in intramural China for purposes, subversive of the interests of Japanese and other alien Imperialism and wholly inimical to the present Nationalist Movement for the liberation of China from the Unequal Treaties.

The Japanese Government, along with the Governments of other Imperialist Powers, has repeatedly expressed the wish to witness the re-establishment of peace and unification in China under an effective National Government. But how can such a Government be established when the military and naval forces of the Japanese Government are ever ready to intervene and do an in fact intervene in order to prevent or thwart the success of operations that would lead to the downfall of Chang Tso-lin, who is universally regarded as the principal factor of unrest and

civil war in China?

No Answer

It is no answer to this charge to cite Japan's treaty rights and to state that their enforcement demands the adoption of military measures like those which enabled Chang Tso-lin to crush the late General Kuo Sung-ling in his attempt to eliminate the former as the main foe of Chinese peace and unification, or naval measures, such as those in question which obviously aim at similar assistance in order to engineer a Fengtien victory over the Kuominchun forces.

Indeed, this contention defines itself as one of the most powerful reasons for the abolition of the Unequal Treaties as demanded by Nationalist China. Because if it is true that the assertion of Japanese treaty rights involves, unintentionally but inevitably, the accrual of advantages to Chang Tso-lin in his rebellion against the Chinese Government, then it is irresistibly clear that a new situation exists in China today so utterly and vitally different from that within the previous contemplation of the Treaty Powers that a denunciation of the pacts, embodying those rights, is at once internationally legal and politically necessary and expedient.

George C. Hsu
Chairman, Canton Diplomatic Delegation.
Peking, March 16, 1926.

CHERRY BLOSSOMS COME IN JAPAN

Tokyo

Tokyo, March 14.—Exceptionally warm weather which is prevailing here this year has made the cherry trees to open their blossoms in various parts of the city. Every foreign steamer arriving here are now being packed with these tourists eager to see the famed flowers in the land of Yamato.

BRITISH THROW 150 CHINESE INTO SINGAPORE PRISON TO STOP SUN YAT-SEN SERVICE

END IMPERIALISM TO END CIVIL WARS

Shanghai.—A meeting of the Committee for the Promotion of the National Assembly took place on March 12 at which 300 representatives from labor organizations, students organizations and other public bodies were present. In the name of the meeting an appeal to the people was issued stating that the only way to put an end to civil wars and to crush imperialism is to convene the National Assembly. The appeal calls upon the people to support the demand for the convening of the National Assembly.

Kuo Wen

Shanghai, March 15.—A telegram has been received by local bodies from Chinese overseas residents in Singapore appealing for support and aid of the people to secure justice and the release of some 150 Chinese residents arrested and imprisoned by the British authorities. According to the telegram, the local British authorities took drastic measures against the Memorial Service in commemoration of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen Anniversary, which was suppressed, and a large number of people attending the service arrested, besides over a dozen Chinese schools there have been closed up in consequence by the authorities. The people at home are requested to rise up in protest and demand the immediate release of the Chinese under custody and the reopening of the schools.

Rift Widens As Germany Stands Firm

Keep Locarno Promises Or We Go Home, Says Germany; "Allies" In Frantic Efforts To Find Way Out

Whole League May Go Smash, Is Prophecy; Harmful Effects Seen When U. S. Views Row As Proof That League Is Simply Alliance Of Victorious Powers

United Press

Geneva, March 15.—It was announced today that Tuesday's Assembly meeting, called for the purpose of electing Germany to membership in the League Assembly, has been cancelled.

The Assembly may meet on Wednesday, it was intimated.

Since the election of Germany to the Assembly was to have been little more than a technicality, this cancellation is considered of deep significance as showing the extent of the rift with regard to the League Council.

There is no difference of opinion as to Germany's admission to the Assembly but in the event that Germany is admitted to the Assembly only to encounter an immediate hitch on the expected subsequent election to a permanent Council seat, it is feared that the German delegation will carry out its frequently expressed intention of packing up and departing for Berlin.

Up To The League

Aviation

Berlin, March 14.—The German delegates at Geneva declare that it is now up to the League Council to decide whether the promises made at Locarno would be kept or not and that Germany now is only waiting for a "Yes" or "No." In case the answer is negative the German delegates will pack up their trunks and go home.

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Gen. Feng Urges Kuomintang Leader To Aid Kuominchun

No Need Of His Accepting Of Post As High Pacification Commission; Others Should Co-operate

Asiatia

Marshal Feng Yu-shiang has wired to the Kuomintang General Li Lieh-chun, former Tupan of Kiangsi, stating that in spite of the chaotic conditions in China, there is no necessity for his acceptance of his new appointment of High Pacification Commissioner for Chihli, Honan and Shensi provinces; but as the officers and men of the Kuominchun are clamouring for a central figure to lead them at the present critical moment, he should actively co-operate with Generals Lu Chung-lin, Chang Chih-kiang, Li Min-chung and Sung Che-yuan towards the restoration of domestic peace in the country. General Li is now at Tientsin, serving as high adviser to Tupan Sun Yueh.

PROTEST ASSISTANCE JAPAN IS GIVING TO MUKDEN FORCES

The Committee to Combat Japanese Intervention in the Three Eastern Provinces has wired to the Peking Government protesting against the open assistance rendered to Mukden by Japan, thus damaging the interests of the Chinese nation and calls upon the government to take determined measures to put a stop to this state of affairs.

The Trade Unions in Shanghai have also sent a protest to the Peking Government against Japanese aggression in Taku.

Tsangchow Under Siege; Outlying Villages Captured

Lu Chung-lin Supervising Operations; Take Eight Villages; No Developments On Luanchow Front

Chung Mei

Commander Lu Chung-lin left Tientsin for Hsing Chi at two thirty yesterday afternoon to supervise the Kuominchun siege of Tsangchow. He was accompanied by his Chief of Staff, Chen Hsi-wen and some 300 bodyguards.

Information received by the Kuominchun indicates that the Shantung-Chihli troops are being directed by a tupan, but it is not disclosed whether it be Tupan Chang Tsung-chang or Li Ching-lin.

The offensive Monday morning resulted in the Kuominchun occupation of a series of villages around Tsangchow, according to telegraphic reports from the front.

The villages mentioned in the despatches are Tsun Chia Chuang, Wu Chia Chuang, Chien Li Chai, Ta Sun Chuang, Ma Lo Po, Hsiao Wang Chuang, Hsin Fang Chia Chuang and Pao Pien Chuang. The Kuominchun troops engaged were those of the 1st, 2nd and 5th Brigades.

The battle plan for yesterday was said to be a harassing of the enemy last night, which if successful, would be followed up by an attack with fresh troops in the hope that the enemy worn out will be unprepared.

Nippon Denpo

Tientsin, Mar. 16.—No development has as yet taken place relative to the situation on the Luanchow front. The Fengtien forces are only making a bombardment of menace.

Press Denounces Journalists Who Howled For Funds

Association Calls Conduct Of Men Who Rowed To Get Subsidies Disgraceful; Not Of Their Member

Kuo Wen

The Chinese Press Association in Peking has written a letter to the Minister and Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, denouncing those who started a row in the Waichiaoou on the fifth instant when they failed to get subsidies from the Ministry, saying that they are not members of the Association. The letter characterizes the conduct of these journalists as disgraceful to the profession to which they pretended to belong and praises Mr. Kuan Ching-lin, former Director of the Information Bureau of the Waichiaoou for having administered a well-deserved rebuke to them.

PROTOCOL POWERS ISSUE 44-HOUR ULTIMATUM TO CHINA DEMANDING FIGHTING STOP TAKU TO TIENTSIN

ALL-CHINA STUDENTS UNION PROTESTS ACT OF JAPAN AT TAKU

In connection with the firing on the Taku Forts by Japanese destroyers the Council of the All-China Students Union wired to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Peking pointing out that not only do the Japanese refuse to admit their fault in the affair but have the effrontery to protest. The wire to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs further points out that the Japanese are assisting Mukden and thus perpetuate the civil war. The Students Union demands that the Peking Government protest against the violence of the Japanese Imperialists.

Shanghai Unions Urge Kuomintang To Clean Up North

Wire Canton; Ask Nationalist Army To Extend Its Anti-Imperialist And Militarist Program To North Now

Asiatia

Shanghai, March 14.—On the day of anniversary of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's death, there were organized two meetings at Shanghai one by the central committee of Kuomintang and another by the trade unions council. The latter was attended by a big crowd.

The following telegram has been sent to Canton:—"The working masses of China are strongly oppressed by imperialists and militarists Dr. Sun Yat-sen put forward mottoes: 'Down with imperialism and unequal treaties', but he had no time to accomplish this task. Now with the help of Kuomintang party, the Liang-Kwang provinces are cleared from militarists. But the Canton nationalist government, having cleared its army from counter-revolutionists, must now send a northern expedition against northern militarists."

Danish Airman Leave Stockholm For Tokyo Flight

First Stop In China At Canton; To Reach Peking By End Of Month

Kuo Wen

Two Danish planes took off Monday from Stockholm on their flight to Tokyo. The flyers are expected to pass through Germany, Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, Turkey, French, Syria, Persia, India, Burma, Siam, Annam and China before reaching their destination in Tokyo. The first city in China at which they plan to make a brief stop is Canton, after which they will visit Shanghai and Peking.

As the result of negotiations between the Waichiaoou and the Danish Minister in Peking, the Government has given permission to the Danish flyers to land in China. The Government is now making preparations to accord a warm welcome to the flyers on their arrival here. I weather conditions are favorable, the planes should reach Peking at the end of this month. The flyers will return to Stockholm not later than May first.

Oudendijk Sends Memorandum; In Protection Of Treaty Rights; If Demands Not Conceded By Tomorrow Noon, Powers Will Take Action

Hostilities From Taku To Tientsin Must Cease; Mines Must Be Removed; Signals Restored And Not Further Disturbed; Combatant Ships Must Be Barred From Channel; Searching Of Foreign Ships Must Cease.

Chung Mei

The Chinese Military are given forty-four hours in which to stop molesting foreign shipping between Tientsin and the sea or else necessary action will be taken by the foreign nations, according to what is practically an ultimatum handed the authorities of the Taku fort and the officers in command of the Tsingtao flotilla at four yesterday afternoon.

Mr. W. J. Oudendijk, Senior Minister of the Protocol Powers, this afternoon transmitted the following memorandum to the Chinese government.

"On March 10th the Senior Minister, in behalf of the Protocol Powers notified the Chinese government of the necessity of removing obstacles to the freedom of navigation in and out of Tientsin either by the placing of mines or by gunfire reserving their right to take action themselves to that end and for the maintenance of the Protocol of 1901, in case the Chinese government failed to accomplish this forthwith.

Through the Consular Bodies at Tientsin, Mukden and Tsinanfu, similar notifications have since been conveyed to the respective

DISCUSS CHINA-TURKISH TREATY

Reuter

At yesterday's Cabinet meeting consideration was given to a proposal by the Waichiaoou that steps should be taken to conclude a treaty of amity with Turkey, following the example of Russia and Japan.

It was decided to leave the matter over pending the appointment of a Foreign Minister.

IMPERIALISTS' SUPPORT OF CHANG SHOWN BY NOTE ON TAKU AFFAIR, SAYS "PRAVDA"

Tass

Moscow, March 15.—Commenting on the Note sent by the Powers to the Chinese Government threatening armed intervention in order to secure the free passage of foreign shipping through Taku Bar, "Pravda", in a leading article, says that the Note gives direct support to Chang Tso-lin and signifies a victory for British Imperialism, which has succeeded in securing the support of Japan and the United States, not only for a united front of Chinese counter-revolution against the National Armies but also for a united front of international imperialism. Both Chang Tso-lin and Wu Pei-fu enjoy the support of England,

headquarters of the forces engaging in hostilities at the entrance of the harbour of Tientsin.

Inasmuch as no effect appears to have been given as yet to the demand of the Protocol Powers, the Ministers representing the countries having naval forces at Tientsin, have agreed that it is desirable that the naval commanders should at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16th, notify the military authorities in command of the fort at Taku and the naval officer in command of the Tsingtao flotilla to the following effect:

Treaty Rights

In order to maintain the general treaty right of international commerce and the particular right of free access from the capital to the sea as provided by the Protocol of 1901, the Powers concerned demand that:

(1) All hostilities in the channel from Taku Bar to Tientsin must be discontinued.

(2) All mines or other obstructions must be removed.

(3) All navigation signals must be restored and not further molested.

(4) All combatant vessels must remain outside Taku Bar and refrain from interference with foreign shipping, and

(5) All searches of foreign vessels except by the Customs authorities must be discontinued.

If Satisfactory assurances on these points have not been received by noon of Thursday, March 18th, the naval authorities of the foreign Powers will proceed to take such measures as they may find necessary for the

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Nine Out Of Ten "Pillars Of New China" Are Kuomintang Men

Nine out of ten "Pillars of New China" recently elected by a popular election turned out to be Kuomintang leaders. The only one who is not a Kuomintang member is General Feng Yu-hsiang. The election was carried on under the auspices of the "Ching Pao," and had been going on for the two months ending on February 28th.

The idea of the election was to find out who, in the eyes of the Chinese Republic, could be counted as the main pillars of progressive China. The election was open to everybody, a vote being provided with every issue of the "Ching Pao" during two months. Everybody was to elect ten, or less than ten, if in his opinion not so many persons were worthy of the title of "Pillar of New China."

Altogether 791 votes were received, a comparatively small number, considering the large number of readers of Chinese newspapers, but as there was no compulsion, only those keenly interested in the problem took the trouble to mail their votes to the paper. The results of the election have been carefully gone through and were published in the "Ching Pao" Literary Supplement of March 11th. Following are the tabulated results:

Tsai Yuen-pei	471
Wang Tsing-wei	464
Chiang Kai-shih	456
Wu Chih-hui	396
Feng Yu-hsiang	352
Wang Chung-hui	246
Chen Tu-hsiu	242
Li Lieh-chun	193
Yu Yu-jen	170
Hsu Chien	167

Educationalist Leads

It is significant that the majority of the voters are students, and that their sympathies are clearly for the Kuomintang leaders. It will be seen that the list is headed by Mr. Tsai, Chancellor of the National University and an old Kuomintang member. Following close upon him are the two chief figures of the present Canton Government, Wang Tsing-wei, the civil chief, and General Chiang, the military force behind the Canton Government, and leader of the ever-victorious Student Army of Canton.

Wu Chih-hui, the great contemporary writer and leader of thought, comes next as the most admired old man who remains young in spirit. Mr. Wu is an anarchist in theory, but a thorough democrat in practice, being a man who hates all ranks and titles, refuses all official jobs, and has made the determination never to be first in any position.

The other six include two Kuomintang leaders, Feng Yu-hsiang and Li Lieh-chun, who is an old Kuomintang general temporarily helping the Kuomintang. Chen Tu-hsiu is the best known communist writer, while Yu Yu-jen and Hsu Chien are well-known leaders of the Kuomintang.

It is interesting to note that some of the supposed

FIERY VESUVIUS SNOW-CAPPED NOW, STORM IN ITALY

Berlin, March 14.—Heavy storms and snows have occurred in Italy. Mount Vesuvius is covered with snow.

Russia Proposes Measures at Sino-Russian Convention Offer Proposals Regarding Russ. Shipping, Consulate Land, Mail, Trade and Status

Peking, Mar. 16.—The Russo-Chinese negotiations for the settlement of details relative to the Russo-Chinese Convention is continuing to sit. The Soviet Delegates have lately brought forward the following proposals:

1) "Soviet vessels shall be accorded a treatment equal to that given to those of the most-favoured nations as regards the examination by the Customs authorities."

2) The Soviet Government shall be able to purchase the land for the erection of the Consulates-General and the Consulates and further the land and premises connected with them.

3) Mails and letters to the Consulates and the Consulates-General shall not be subjected to censorship.

4) The Foreign Trade Department of the Soviet Government shall be recognized. Commercial Attachés will be attached to the Consulates and the Consulates-General, and these Attachés shall be accorded a treatment due to a Diplomatic representative.

5) The number of the members of the Consulates and the Consulates-General shall not be subjected to any restrictions.

But 10 Days Left And 1 Bill Passed

Japan Diet Having Difficult Times; Main Body Of Business May Have To Wait Till Next Session

Tokyo, Mar. 15.—Up to date, only one Bill has passed both the House of Peers and the House of Representatives. While the present session of the Diet has only 10 days ahead before it comes to adjournment, 10 proposals which have obtained the approval by the House of Representatives, are awaiting settlement at the House of Peers, and 4 proposals which have been approved by the House of Peers are awaiting approval by the House of Representatives. Sixteen proposals have been brought forward but have not yet been considered. It is feared that these proposals will not be considered at the present session but will be carried over to the next session of the Diet.

The Seiyu-kai, the Opposition, threatens to propose non-confidence in the Government, but this threat is not taken seriously by the Government and the Kensei-kai, the Ministerial Party, as coalition has already been reached between the Kensei-kai, the Seiyu-Honto and the Shinsei-Club, and the Non-Confidence proposal, even though it may be brought forward, will effectively be disproved. This trend of the situation has apparently made the Government easy, although it will have to meet more or less difficulties at the House of Peers relative to the Customs Tariff Revision proposal and some other proposals.

Epidemic On Board

Berlin, March 14.—Thirty emigrants on board the steamer "Belvedere" bound from Trieste

Holds Docility Of People Cause Of Militarists' Sins

People Must Be Roused, Says Tang Shao-yi; Makes Appeal To Pride In Former Greatness

"The reason why the militarists in China are so unlawful, in requisitioning steamers, rolling stock on the railways, and so on, is because the people allow them to do so," said, ex-Premier Tang Shao-yi when interviewed in Shanghai several days ago. "It is because the people are so ignorant that the militarists have such sway," he added. Mr. Tang likened the present war to an opium war. If the people were not greedy if there was no poppy-grower, and no opium smoker, then the warlords would have no way to make money.

"I hope that the people will be awakened in the near future, and stop supporting the militarists," said the ex-Premier. "Then we can talk about science and education. Take astronomy—China was so advanced in this science centuries ago: to-day there is only one observatory in Peking—and one in Shanghai, the latter, at Sincawei, was established by foreigners."

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purpose of removing or of suppressing any obstruction to the free and safe navigation of the channel between Tientsin and the sea."

Japan Waits

Tokyo, March 15.—The Cabinet has postponed a decision regarding the demands to be made of China over the Taku incident, owing to the desire to await Chinese reaction to the Allied Note.

It is understood that the Cabinet has agreed to friendly independent action towards China, holding that all of China is not responsible but asking for the punishment of the guilty Chinese who fired on the destroyers, also for adequate remuneration of the wounded and a pledge that there will be no future occurrence.

Up in Commons

London, March 15.—In the House of Commons today, replying to questions, Mr. G. Lockyer-Lampson (Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs) outlined the situation arising out of the Chinese Nationalist Commander at the port of Taku closing the Tientsin river. He said that full effect had not yet been given to the demands of the Protocol Powers in that regard and the Government was consulting His Majesty's Minister in regard to the situation.

Warships Come

Tokyo, March 16.—The light cruiser "Hirado" has been ordered from Port Arthur to Taku.

Manila, March 16.—The destroyers "McCormick", "Bulmer", "Edsall", and "Simpson" left here for Shanghai and Taku yesterday and the "Parrot" and "McLeish" will leave here for similar destinations today.

Japan Denies

Reports appearing in several of the Chinese papers yesterday morning to the effect that Japan contemplated lodging another protest with the Waichiaopu demanding compliance within twenty hours with the provisions of the Protocol of 1901 regarding the Taku Forts, brought a denial from the Japanese Legation

PROHIBITIONIST SEES THE WORLD DRY 25 YEARS AFTER U. S.

Washington, March 16.—Within twenty-five years after prohibition really becomes effective in the United States, the entire world will go dry, Clinton Howard, Chairman of the United Committee for Prohibition Enforcement, declared. "Prohibition can be made effective within twelve months in America if the Administration puts its shoulder to the wheel," he declared.

Officer Abducts Sing-Song Girl

Pardoned On Condition That He Goes To The Front

The abduction of a sing song girl by a military officer is disclosed in a pardon granted by the Chief Executive to Chang Jui-sheng, who is bidden to go to the front, as a condition of his freedom.

Chang Jui-sheng, who was an officer in Peking, last year fell in love with one Kao Yu-lun, whom he wished to marry and subsequently had brought to his house by force. At the court martial which sat on the case, the prisoner declared that he had paid Kao's parents two thousand dollars and had received their consent, but they denied it.

Since his wife did not like her new husband, the charge was made against Chang, who was tried and sentenced to a term of imprisonment by a court martial. Now on the appeal of Chen Tiao-yuan and Teng Pao-shan, he has been pardoned by the Chief Executive and assigned to service at the front.

Legation has no intention to lodge another protest.

Negotiations are now going on both in Peking and Tientsin between the two sides for an amicable settlement of the unfortunate incident. Dr. Huang

Tsung-fan, Councillor of the Waichiaopu and Mr. Teng Yu-hua, Departmental Chief of the Ministry of War, left for Tientsin yesterday to assist the local military authorities in the negotiations, while the Premier has also sent his Japanese advisor, Colonel Doshinara, to that port. The Japanese side is represented by the Tientsin Japanese Consul-General and Colonel Tsuda, Naval Attaché of the Japanese Legation.

Concerning the navigation of the Pei Ho by the merchantmen of the Powers, it is understood that the Diplomatic Corps is still considering the matter and no definite decision has been reached so far.

Carry Ammunition

Peking, March 16.—A ship alleged to be carrying ammunition from Vladivostok is claimed to have been captured by the Fengtien navy off Taku.

The vessel is reported to be under convoy for Chinwangtao where it will be further investigated by the Fengtien authorities.

Ships At Taku

Tientsin, March 16.—The foreign warships at anchor off Tientsin and Taku at present are as follows:

British two, American two, French one, and Italian one, in addition to four Japanese destroyers and the two vessels belonging to the Overseas Squadron which incidentally arrived from Shanghai. Further, a British gunboat will arrive off Taku from Chinwangtao, to-day or tomorrow.

At 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon

"Novellette" Is Realistic But It Scores Realism

March 30th Play At Institute Of Fine Arts Shows Horrors Of Modern Realism; By Peking Woman

"Novellette", one of the three Peking Institute plays to be given March 30th and 31st, is, according to its author, Ruth Robertson, a protest against the horrors of modern realism depicted modernly, and strictly realistically.

The scene is laid somewhere near Paris—presumably between Piccadilly Circus and lower Manhattan. The time is either today, yesterday or tomorrow—depending entirely on the ages of the individual members of the audience.

Pierrette is woman—as good but rather stupid men see her—and as women adore to see her though most of them won't admit it. Pierrot is man—as disillusioned women see him, particularly feminists, the poor dears. The three "dolls" represent modern woman as cynical clever people see her (earnest, discerning people like H. L. Menchen and the late Goneril Stratton Porter), while Columbine stepped straight out of one of Du Maurier's novels, without even waiting to powder her nose.

Surely at least one of these will capture the imagination of each individual member of the varied audiences of Peking—and taken collectively they form an irresistible combination.

Booking for the three one-act plays of which "Novellette" is one opens at the Institute today. So much interest has been shown in this forthcoming production that early booking is advised: or else there will be little choice left in tickets.

COLLIDE WITH TRAWLER 16 WOMEN DROWN

Tokyo, March 16.—A telegram from Sasebo reports that yesterday afternoon a motorboat containing 18 women passengers collided with a trawler, resulting in 16 being drowned and two being seriously injured.

The trawler was seriously damaged but the fate of the motorboat is not stated, though it is presumed that it was sunk.

and Italy, met in conference on board the British gun-boat, and considered the Taku navigation question. It was eventually proposed and agreed upon that a warning be issued jointly by them to the Commander of the Kuomintang forces in the Taku Fort and the Commander of the Fengtien warships off Taku. It is not yet known on what line the warning will be drawn up, although it is expected that it will be made known this evening, immediately after it has been sent to them.

Japan Determined

Tokyo, March 15.—Replying to a question put to him to-day in the House of Representatives by Mr. Kunpei Matsumoto, concerning the Taku firing incident, Baron Shidehara, the Foreign Minister, declared that owing to the meagre report available here at present regarding the event, the Government is now ordering a close investigation of the incident.

He intimated that the government is determined to get a satisfactory reply from China on the question and to demand from the Peking Government a guarantee against the repetition of such incidents.

Admiral Takarabe, the Navy

COUNTERFEITER GOES TO INSANE ASYLUM, NOT TO PRISON

Berlin, March 14.—Arthur Schultz of the Franc counterfeit notoriety will be put in an insane asylum following an attack of hallucinations.

Warns Of Dangers In Tariff Treaty With Japanese

Yeh Kung-cho Advises Care In Negotiations; China At Disadvantage Due To Lack Of Statistics

Mr. Yeh Kung-cho, former Minister of Communications, in a recent interview with a member of the General Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai, said that judging from Chinese press reports the tendency of the Special Tariff Conference is toward the conclusion of reciprocal Tariff treaties between China and the Powers and that Japan is apparently taking the lead in this direction. Personally he is in favour of absolute tariff freedom for China. The Government should take care in the negotiation of a reciprocal treaty with Japan, which will be the first of its kind so far as China is concerned and likely to be invoked as precedent in the negotiation of other treaties with the Powers.

Mr. Yeh says that he is glad to see that Chinese merchants are beginning to take an interest in the proposed tariff treaty negotiations with Japan but that in this respect they are at a disadvantage as compared with Japanese merchants. The Chinese Government has no trade statistics and possesses, therefore, little idea of what Chinese products should be included in the treaty as those that need reciprocal treatment in the matter of tariff. Now if a mistake should be made in the proposed treaty with Japan, the Chinese merchants will suffer great losses, the more so when it is remembered that the other powers will be likely to use it as a precedent to negotiate similar treaties with China. Mr. Yeh concludes by advising the Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce to pay attention to this phase of the question.

CHANG WILL DODGE BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Marshal Chang Tso-lin will celebrate the anniversary of his birthday, which falls on the 25th, inst., in a quiet way, and in common with most prominent Chinese these days, will refrain from accepting congratulations. The Marshal will merely visit his native place, Kuoshantzu, leaving Mukden on the 21st.

and mistakes in their conduct. To the similar questions put to the Government, Minister Shidehara assured the House that the Government will do its utmost to arrive at satisfactory and just disposal of the incident at Taku.

Japan Press Comment

Tokyo, March 16.—Newspapers are giving prominent place to the account of the Taku incident and to editorials dealing with the subject.

The "Nichi Nichi", after expressing deep regret over the occurrence, declares that the affair is to be considered as very serious in its consequences from the point of view of the friendly relations between the two countries. The paper, while deploring on the event, desires that the Government would take firm policy in dealing with the Chinese Government and the authorities concerned so that the speedy and satisfactory settlement of the affair might be reached between the two parties.

The firing on the national flag of Japan, a particular phase in the Taku incident, is taken up by the "Chugai Shogyo," in its editorial which

The What And Why Of The Breakdown On The Railways

Effect Of Civil War And Militarist Control On Railways Explained In Detail By Helpless Chiao Tungpu

Asiatic

According to information from the Ministry of Communications, the four government trunk railways are in a deplorable condition. The chief reasons are, of course, civil wars and the declaration of provincial independence by the militarists.

The Tientsin-Pukow Railway is under three directors, Cheng Tso-ju, Chu Yao and Sun Chang-chi, appointed by the Kuomintang, the Shantung Tupan and the Kiangsu Tupan with or without the approval of the Chiao Tungpu. From Tientsin trains can proceed as far as Machang only. In Shantung, trains can go between Tehchow and Lincheng but passengers must change cars at Hanchuang for Pukow.

On the Peking-Mukden Railway, during the recent raid of the Fengtien warships at Taku and Tangku, the bridge at Peitang was destroyed, but it was immediately repaired by the Kuomintang afterwards. From Tientsin to Luanchow, the line is controlled by Mr. Ting, appointed by the first Kuomintang. The Mukden-Luanchow section belongs to Marshal Chang Tso-lin with its railway office at Chinchow, outside Shanhaikuan. From Tientsin, on Monday the train could still proceed as far as Luanchow, showing that Luanchow and Tangshan were still in Kuomintang's hands.

Peking-Hankow Worst

The Peking-Hankow Railway is probably the worst of all government lines affected by the civil wars and it is now controlled by Wu Pei-fu and Feng Yu-hsiang. But trains can only reach Changshintien from Peking. The situation beyond Changshintien is indescribable. It is stated that Wu Pei-fu has appointed the former vice-minister of Communications, Mr. Lao Chih-chang, as Director of the Chin-Han Railway, who will open his office at Hankow to control the Hupeh-Honan section.

The Shihchiachung-Kantansien section is being controlled by Shansi troops.

The Peking-Suiyuan Railway is, probably, the most fortunate although on account of heavy army transportation and the lack of engines, commercial transportation is impossible. The line, however, is sound from Peking to Paotouchen.

The receipts of the above-mentioned railways are all misappropriated by the commanders for military purposes and consequently, the Chiao Tungpu, which was once the richest Ministry in Peking, now cannot pay its staffs regularly not to mention the repayment of foreign and native loans and obligations.

PRISONERS FROM BESIEGED CITY

Chung Mei

Prisoners arriving at Hankow on the 14th told of the occupation of Sinyang by Marshal Wu's troops under Liu Sheng-chun. The exhaustion of supplies forced the surrender of the city which had held out for over a month.

Division Commander Kiang, four brigade commanders and close to two thousand soldiers were included in the batch of prisoners arriving at Hankow. These troops who were in good physical condition detained for reorganization while the others were freed.

DISABLED SHIP GIVES DISTRESS CALL BUT CANNOT BE FOUND

Asiatic

Berlin, March 14.—The German steamer "Adolph Leonhard" which lost her propeller in a storm sent out calls off Cape Virginia. Several boats are searching for the disabled steamer from which nothing more was heard.

RIFT WIDENS AS GERMANY STANDS FIRM

(Continued from page 1)

Hope Against Hope

Reuter

Geneva, March 15.—The second week of the conference opened with the situation the most gloomy that could be described. The delegates are hoping against hope and the future is most uncertain. The Council met in a secret, informal session at 10.30 this morning, but no solution was found.

Later in the afternoon, owing to Brazil's unwavering determination to veto any proposal that Germany should become a permanent member of the League unless Brazil were also given a permanent seat in the Council, it is understood, made a joint, telegraphic appeal to Rio de Janeiro.

Seek Way Out

United Press

Geneva, March 15.—Desperate efforts are being made to reach an agreement which will at least provide for compliance with the immediate formalities with reference to German admission to League Council and Assembly, whatever may be done as regards the Council seats of other nations. It is difficult, and increasingly so, to trace the underlying causes of the deadlock as it progresses from day to day. British advocacy of Spain's candidacy for a permanent Council seat, and French backing for Poland, have merged into a general tangle in which the balance of Council power and individual national aspirations are inextricably interwoven.

Close observers declare that unless the Council question is brought to an early settlement the entire League plan may be jeopardized. It is already feared that the present wrangle has created an atmosphere harmful to the League in many quarters, particularly the United States, where it is thought that the situation may provide opportunity for opponents of the League to revive their old cry that the League is not a true League of Nations but only an alliance of victorious Powers.

Germany Suspicious

Asiatic

Berlin, March 14.—According to a London despatch, the attitude of the delegates is determined by German public opinion which has become exceedingly sensitive and suspicious of so-called promises. The German Press abounds in leaders warning the government not again to be caught in the meshes of secret diplomacy. Promises should be kept, but in such a manner that they result in something more than "obligations for Germany" and rights for others. Moreover, the rights of highly civilized countries like the Scandinavian kingdoms, Holland, Finland should not be subordinated to Polish chauvinism, it is declared.

Warsaw Excited

The Polish capital Warsaw is greatly excited over Poland's apparent lack of success at Geneva. Several thousand students demonstrated before the German embassy.

Leningrad A Haven For Workers Who Want An Education

Holds First Place in Russia; Students Largely From Workers And Peasants; Many Receive Stipend From State

Tass

Moscow, March 14.—Investigations conducted recently have shown that Leningrad holds first place in the academic world in Soviet Russia, having the largest number of higher educational institutions, the best equipped laboratories and the most skilled specialists; also that the great body of the students come from the working and peasant classes. The students now studying in Leningrad represent an army of 50,000 men and women.

There are now 27 high educational establishments, 36 technicals and 15 rabfacs in the city. (Rabfac—workers' faculty; a preparatory school for workers and peasants with little previous education, for training for entry into the university.)

Of the fifty thousand students, 28,770 are members of trade unions; 6,192 are members of the Communist Party; 8,022 belong to the Young Communist League.

According to profession the students divide up as follows: workers from the bench 13,691; peasants from the plough 12,113; office employees, 18,796; other professions, 3,109.

The economic conditions of the students have improved considerably, during the past year, according to the report of the investigators and this has had a marked effect upon their studies. Over 10,000 students receive stipends from the State, while considerable aid is rendered by the trade unions to which the students belong.

WAR CONTINUES POOR ARE HUNGRY

Chung Mei

Continued warfare strikes at the poor of Peking whole "small rice" has risen to twenty-five coppers per catty and coarse grain to twenty-two coppers.

Takes Post Himself

Kuo Wen

It is rumored in the Manchurian capital that the Civil-Governorship of Fengtien will be assumed by Chang himself for the time being, while the post of Director of Financial Affairs, will be assumed by General Liu Shan-ching, of the Chinese Eastern Railway. General Liu's successor will be Cheng Chien, former Civil Governor of Kiangsu.

RICE PRICE SOARS AROUND SHANGHAI

Kuo Wen

Shanghai, March 13.—Prices of rice have reached a record, on account of the sources of supply having been interrupted lately and a bad harvest last fall. Local public bodies have called several meetings to discuss relief measures. One and half million piculs of rice have been ordered from the South Sea, but there is high doubt as to when the cargo will arrive.

Chia Dines Press

Kuo Wen

Premier Chia Teh-yao will give a dinner to the local Chinese journalists at noon today in the Central Park. This is the first time the Premier entertains the members of the local press.

THREATENING SWORDS AID IN KEEPING PEACE IN PEKING

Chung Mei

The police and troops stationed at the city gates have been reinforced by units of Kuomintang swordsmen, who with their threatening knives are to help keep the disorderly elements, particularly among refugees, from upsetting the peace and order of the capital.

YUAN GETS \$500,000 TO LEAVE CHUNGKING

Kuo Wen

According to reports received in local military circles from Szechuan, General Yuan Tsun-ming, the Kueichow Commander, evacuated Chungking on the eleventh instant as the result of a joint attack made by General Liu Hsiang and General Lai Hsin-hui. Before leaving, General Yuan forced the merchants to pay him a contribution of \$500,000. The city is now being patrolled by Szechuan troops.

In view of the fact that General Yang Sen was also responsible for the expulsion of General Yuan, Generals Liu and Lai are now considering the question of giving a suitable position to him.

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Borah Asks Report On Allies' Actions Previous To 1917

Wants To Know What's Being Done About U. S. Claims For Violations Of Neutral Rights

Reuter

Washington, March 15.—Senator Borah has introduced a resolution in the Senate requesting the State Department to report what steps have been taken towards negotiation of American claims against Britain and France in connection with the violation of the rights of neutrals prior to the American entry into the war.

The resolution was referred to the Foreign Relations Committee of which Mr. Borah is Chairman.

AIRPLANE ON WAY TO BELGIAN CONGO

Asiatic

Berlin, Mar. 12.—A Belgian airplane carrying two officers and a mechanic arrived at Belgrade on its way from Brussels to the Belgian Congo.

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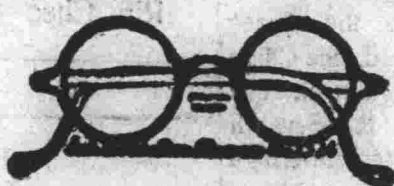
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Shansi Governor Looking For Fight Is General Belief

Model Governor Proving Himself Little Different From Other Militarists, Is Press View

Repeated reiteration of his non-hostile intentions toward the Kuominchun are contained in a telegram received from Governor Yen of Shansi. However, his troops are still at Cheng Ting on the Peking-Hankow Railway.

The bridge at Hsin Lo, destroyed by the Kuominchun, is being repaired but it is said that traffic cannot be restored for at least three weeks more.

Despite the statements of Governor Yen, it is felt in official circles that he is looking for a fight. Three days ago Shansi troops arrived in the vicinity of Tatung in northern Shansi and began digging trenches. This activity was stopped by Division Commander Shih Tsing-ting of the Kuominchun, but nevertheless shows the trend of the Model Governor.

The "Shun Tien Shih Pao" declares the relation between Yen and the Kuominchun to be very tense, pointing out that while Wu Pei-fu or Chang Tso-lin could not strike at the Kuominchun stronghold, Governor Yen might do so through Tatung.

Praise Misplaced
Although the subject of praise in the past, particularly from foreigners, the "Shun Tien Shih Pao" declares that Governor Yen is little different from the other militarists, and is ready to sacrifice Shansi and the people of that province to his own ambition to retain office.

Having maintained his position in Shansi for years by a policy of fence-riding, the paper accuses him of saddling a heavy tax on the people for the support of his fourteen brigades of troops.

Convinced that a Kuominchun victory would mean the loss of control in Shansi for Yen, he has decided to sack his much praised policy of peace to throw in his lot with Chang and Wu, says the "Shun Tien Shih Pao," while the best interests of the people of his province are forgotten.

Tense Situation

The situation along the northern section of the Kin-Han line is becoming more and more critical every day as the result of the activities of the Shansi troops, who have been continuing hostile preparations vigorous though they have nominally declared to withdraw from Shih-chiachuang. In fact they have been advancing steadily toward the south with the apparent object of attacking Paoting and cut the retreat of the Honan troops, for which purpose the railway track in Hanan has been destroyed. At the same time they have been massing around Tatung evidently waiting for an opportunity to strike a sudden blow on the rear and base of the Kuominchun.

According to military experts, the defence of the Kuominchun around Shih-chiachuang is very strong and unpenetrable as far as the strength of the Shansi forces is concerned. The first line of defence extends from Wangtu to Kaoyang, some 300 li in length, where an excellent system of trenches has been dug, while the second defensive line runs across the railway and is defended by numerous rapids and rivers. It is pointed out that though the Shansi troops have been displaying much activities around Shih-chiachuang and appearing to be ready

U.S. PLUTOCRATS AND OFFICIALS INDICTED AS BOOTLEGGERS

Cleveland, Ohio, March 15.—Millionaires, manufacturers, real estate men and Government employees of twelve cities are involved in a forty thousand word indictment, naming 112 persons in an alleged bootlegging conspiracy, returned by the Federal Grand Jury. The indictment alleges that the conspiracy originated with four Philadelphia bootleggers, who had their headquarters in Cleveland and created an organization for the concentration and distribution of a contraband supply of pure grain alcohol. The operations are alleged to cover a period of three years.

German Cruiser To Start Old Colonies To Avoid Question

Germany Returning To Seas With Old Warship; To Steer Clear Of Tsingtao And Former South Sea Possessions

Berlin, February 15.—The German cruiser Hamburg, now on the high seas and expected to arrive in Colon, Panama, on April 16th, will painstakingly avoid the former German colonies on its cruise around the world.

In order to prevent any political misunderstanding, the Hamburg will describe a circle around Germany's former possession in the South seas. Similarly, in the Orient it will skirt the coast and never as much as look at Tsingtao.

Germany's second man-o-war to float through the locks of the Canal, the Hamburg is the Benjamin of the German navy. Built in 1903, the cruiser is old, as warships go; its displacement is only 3250 tons, and its measurements are 340 feet by 40 feet.

Commanded by Captain Dr. Groos, famed alike as navigator and publicist, the Hamburg carries a total crew of 368 men. Of these, 100 are cadets, budding hopes of the German fleet, to whose training the trip is largely devoted.

Stages the Return

There are, of course, other motives. Among these is the desire to document Germany's returning strength by again carrying the German naval ensign over the seven seas, after a lapse of twelve years. Another motive is the wish to stimulate trade relations, the cruise of the Berlin in South American waters having proved beneficial to German exports.

After navigating the Canal the Hamburg will turn toward the north, calling first at Los Angeles and then at San Francisco. From the Golden Gate, the cruiser heads for the Hawaiian Islands where it will coal at Honolulu. From there the Hamburg will cross the Pacific to Japan and China.

There is little indication that hostilities will break out in the mean time. All the activities of the Shansites are said to be aimed to draw the strength of the Kuominchun, pending the arrival of Marshal Wu Pei-fu's expeditionary forces, when they will then withdraw to the North and deliver an attack on the Kuominchun rear base north of Tatungfu.

Press reports state that it has been ascertained that General Yen Shih-shan of Shansi has been closely communicating with Hankow and Mukden lately and has been entrusted with some important commission. All the activities of the Shansi troops are preliminary to the fulfilment of

Cabinet Approves Loan On German Boxer Indemnity

To Redeem Bonds, And Pay Legations, Consulates, Administrative And Military Bills For Three Months

It was officially announced this afternoon that the Cabinet this morning had decided to adopt the proposal put forward by the Minister of Finance (Mr. Ho Teh-lin) for the flotation of a new internal loan.

The loan, which is to be known as the 15th Year Loan of the Republic of China, is to be for the amount of \$20,000,000 and is to be secured on the German Boxer Indemnity funds. The interest will be at the rate of 8 per cent per annum and the loan will be floated at 90, whereafter 6 % will be deducted by the bankers for commission. The bonds will be taken up in three monthly instalments.

The purposes for which the proceeds of the loan are to be expended are officially stated to be threefold, as follows:—

(a) To redeem the Spring Festival Treasury Bonds recently issued to the amount of \$8,000,000.

(b) To meet the expenses of the Chinese legations and consulates abroad for a period of three months.

(c) To meet the administrative and military expenses of the Central Government for three months.

The resignation of Mr. Yen Chu as Vice-Minister of Finance was granted and Mr. Chien Fang-shih appointed to fill the vacancy.

Educational Surtax

The Minister of Interior was appointed Chairman of the Yang Tze Routine Discussion Commission.

The plans of the Educational Surtax Yamen were decided to be studied and settled in accordance with the original cabinet decision, despite the general regulations governing the organization and budget received from that yamen.

Six Festivals Of China Described By Madame Lauru

Three Festivals Of Living And Three Of Dead Described In Institute Of Fine Arts Lecture

A large and decidedly appreciative audience attended the lecture of Madame Lauru on "Six Great Festivals of the Chinese Year" given Monday afternoon under the auspices of the Peking Institute of Fine Arts at the home of Dr. J. C. Ferguson on Hsi Chiao Hutung.

These festivals, according to Madame Lauru, are divided by the Chinese into the Three Festivals of the Living, the New Year, the Fifth of the Fifth Moon or the Dragon Festival, and the Fifteenth of the Eighth Moon or the Moon Festival.

Then there are the Three Festivals of the Dead, the Ching Ming or Spring Festival, the All Souls Day of the Seventh Moon and the Winter Offerings to the Spirits in the Tenth Moon.

Echos Nation's Plea

Shanghai, March 14.—The association for promoting the people's assembly called a meeting yesterday on which it was decided to send a circular telegram appealing to the country to stop civil war and convene

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